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TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith are:

Preliminary Amendment (7 pgs.)

Two (2) sheets of Annotated Marked-Up Drawings

Five (5) sheets of Formal Drawings, including two (2) Replacement Sheets showing amendments to Figures 3 and 8

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STATUS

2. Applicant

claims small entity status.

is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3.	The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.			
	(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)			
	(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)			
Extension for response within:			Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
		first month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
		Second month	\$ 420.00	\$ 210.00
		third month	\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00
		Fourth month	\$ 1,480.00	\$ 740.00
		fifth month	\$ 2,010.00	\$1,005.00
			Fee Due	\$
If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor. (Check and complete the next item, if applicable)				
An extension of months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.				
Extension fee due with this request \$				
	(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, the conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.			

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below: OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY (Col. 1) (Col. 2) (Col. 3) SMALL ENTITY CLAIMS REMAINING HIGHEST NO. **PREVIOUSLY PRESENT** ADDITIONAL. ADDITIONAL AFTER AMENDMENT PAID FOR **EXTRA** RATE FEE OR RATE FEE MINUS X \$9 = \$x \$18 = \$TOTAL INDEP. MINUS X \$43 = \$x \$86 = \$FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM + \$145 = \$ + \$290 = \$TOTAL ADDITIONAL OR TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$ FEE \$ No additional fee for Claims is required (a) OR Total additional fee for claims required \$ (b) FEE PAYMENT Attached is a check in the sum of \$ Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$_____. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached. FEE DEFICIENCY If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384. AND/OR If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384. 7. Other: Thomas M. Fisher Registration No. 47,564 ARMSTRONG TEASDALE LLP

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